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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am a user of the internet, a person, not a company. Just like every other person in the United States I need the internet for banking, job searching, health care, entertainment, communicating friends and family, many other services that are part of everyday life.

One cannot do without the internet in these times. It is a basic service we all need and therefore it should be regulated so that the users, not the providers, are protected. Protected against price gouging, monopolizing practices that limit provider choices and slow the speed at which that all data flows, regardless of the content.

Regulation can also ensure a level playing field and healthy competition amongst service providers so that the best ideas will be able to take hold and not just the one withthe most power and money.

Sincerely Matthew Heckert

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